# 노말시티(Normal City) • 1

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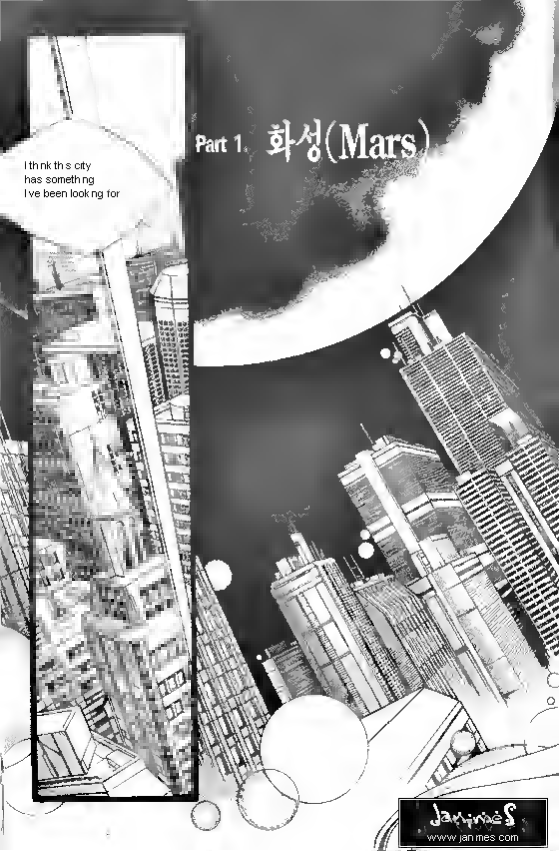
What w ll happen
f yet another nuclear
war occurs ?

If another war happens, another monster like you will be created. Don't you think ?
Mars !
One of your kind is Omen of the ultimate destruction.

Hmmph !
Are you implying that my ability is too monsterous ?
Look who is taking Son
If you are trying to make me believe that the war that happened even before I was born was my fault it's only a past now. If another year indeed occurs, it will be you who will begin the war
Earthquake ?
Flood ?
Natural disaster
doesn't suit your style
Aren't you the God ?

Quit talking as if you are a great creature
Whether you die now or die later.. it won't effect the world

That s right
And a fact that
we are not
welcomed n th s
city s another
unavo dable ssue
Who cares
We are allowed
to l ve n here now
That s what
counts
Even though I do
th nk that Mars
was better suited
for me
If be ng born naturally
from mother s womb
s someth ng to be
bull ed and laughed
at f ne I don't care
I don't care f I am not
granted with the
perm ss on
to have a clone for
replacement
Whether you are
born from a female
or from a lab
People n th s city
requires our ab lity
That s why they let us n
n the f rst place
We ve come th s far
Let s not waste our
chance
Yes
And

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Pnk sky and rough sandy w nd But the sky s crystal clear
My v ew from the Mars Control city
And there s an image of Earth
I often wondered that if I was really born on Mars because I had so vivid memory of me being on Earth ...

An image of Earth

It's him again
I am in his dream again
he sensed me

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Ya
Maybe h s wave and yours are s m lar
Anyth ng d fferent?
Nope t s been a wh le So h s har grew a bit That s all
I wonder who s the guy

Son Revy
Mars Heaven
Jean Tan a Kembell
As of today
you've been offcally
declared to be a
citzen of Normal City
However we stll
requre you to report
your status on a regular
bass
Also keep n mnd that
f you are takng any
ESP related tasks
you wll have to report
to us frst
ve spoken about
ths before Your
mmgraton s approaved
upon a condton that
you wll comply to work
wth us whenever we
need you
You wll comply
whatever task
we may gve you
And f you are found
dong or havng done
any crmnal actvtes
you may be exled or
confned

Ugh
Do you have someth ng to say ?
Noth ng It s just that I seem to have eaten a banana that was exposed to rad oactivity
Excuse me I gotta go washroom
So, he s a great be ng or someth ng? Does he th nk he l ves n Heaven ?
It appears not gett ng to the top c stra ght has gotten on your nerve ?
F ne f that is what you want you w ll have It Let me be stra ghtforward Depend ng on how well you do your parents may rece ve more or less pun shment for the r crime

I see.
That's a lot better, Mr. administrator
Don't address me like that.
I told you, right ?
My name is Kane Neffe. You may call me by my first name.
Am I allowed to be fr endly l ke that Mr adm n strator ?
Mars, right ?
It's not a name for a female, not really.
It's a name from a legand. The War God, Mars.
No –
D d you name yourself after your aggress ve personalty ?

I was named Mars simply because I was born on Mars. My father named me.
Isn't it too romantic for father who is on a blacklist ?
So I see I also understand why you are here
We both know our needs So, I take that you won't do anyth ng foolish
I can count on you g rls r ght?
I will keep that in mind, Mr Administator.
Yes- admin
Me, too.

Bezel no news uet ?
No
No contact yet
Well well th s encounter s go ng to be late I take
I was go ng to ntroduce you a new member to your grouyp today
The new member w ll be a good help for you
Wat !
A new member ?
We three are just f ne! f anyone jo ns it w ll run the teamwork !
We cannot do that just yet
After all, you ve been here for only a month

They are a lot more useful than you th nk
Don't treat them l ke trash
Personally I don't l ke them What were the r aggress ve attitude for ?
it s understandable The r parents were taken away as soon as a new contact was establ shed after the war
I am even more worr ed about the new member
You never know
Why d d you have to p ck such a troublemaker ?
But they are not really suited to be citizens ! Experiments perhaps
They obviously don't know what their position is. We should just let them work in radioactive area
Anyway

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People with good ability have always been trouble-makers.
As long as they are tools under control, that's fine with us.
What was that all about ? Those Earthlians.
I don't like it ! if another Earthian joins, I will explode eventually !
We are not in a situation for choices.
Hmmph
If the new member is anything like the guy ...

Anyway
I hope we can end th s
soon athough I am not
sure how long they
are look ng to use
us
I want to be free
as soon as poss ble
it s not a parad ce but
there are a lot here that
we haven't seen on Mars
Maybe
we can
manage to
settle down
even
Grrr
Fine they took our
parents for ther cr mes
But they haven't even
told us what they d d
They are man pulat ng
us the way they l ke
We f nally manage
to be on Earth
and it s like th s
Even f it weren't our
parents we would
have had a very hard
time mm grating to
Earth
Look at
me for
an example
I guess th s s
just how they
work
Beyond the
dome it s
all rad oact ve
wasteland
I heard there are
only two nhabitable
cont nment
left nclud ng
th s one

I have a feeling that this city is even smaller than the tiny Mars control city though .....

I want to see you more often.
Is that why the flowers...
You give a warm impression.
Hm again
Long time no see It s been a whi e s nce I saw you last time So I was quite happy to see you yesterday
You sound happy I am curious as well why I keep going into your dreams
What really are you ?
yeah ?
Yes
Who knows Perhaps we w ll meet n real one day
yeah?

I am really looking forward
what are you doing, Son?
You seemed to be happy Were you having a sweet dream?
I didn't want to run your sweet dream So, I was waiting
it was him again He was waiting for me
Isn't it fun ? it seems he doesn't think that he is having an ordinary dream
Well we've never really talked much

A lover
n dream
so to speak
That doesn't
sound so bad
although I don't
feel that kind of
sensat on from
h m though
I don't th nk he l ves
here ether
I ve been tell ng
you Earth an
is good for
noth ng
We can l ve
together just
f ne Mars
Sure yeah
We can l ve
just f ne
But I really
hope you don't
forget a fact
what?
You are a girl
I know
So what

I could have sk pped the scene But just as an rem nder
What are you try ng to do my pure m nd ?
I rem nded you That s all
Bad Mars Mean Mars
Anyway you are always welcome to l ve with me
If no kn ght on a white horse appears n front of me
If I don't meet the guy n my dream
Whatever

They are coming
Uh - wait, what the...
What ?
Does the new member look weird ? Burn the image on the paper.
We will be meeting the new member shortly. Don't waste your power.
It's just for fun and a gift for the new member.

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Sorry for keeping you wait so long.
It s h m
It s h m
I d dn't th nk the new member would be a male

What aren't you a guy ?
I would have never thought that being a guy while looking feminine would be something to complain about
Don't worry I won't take over your place with those two girls
What ? Are you talking to me ? I may have breasts that's as small as the tail bone on the end of spine but they are there!
Son
OH!
Yes, she's double X

There must be a lot of mutat on on Mars
What d d you say ?
Ah calm down
You are supposed to be get along well Go ng aga nst each other won't do you any good in the end
Looks ke t s go ng to take some t me to get to know each other Anyway greet each other
After when you are done greet ng come down to the 32nd floor I w ll treat you d nner
He s a male yes But he has powers that should ass st you good
And I thought a young man would have been more welcomed to a group of three young g rls
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Hello
Hello
I am Mars Heaven
I find your face familiar
Perhaps we've met in dreams before
So, you are the dream invader, Mars Heaven.
So, when did you invade my dream ?

He d d see me
He doesn't remember perhaps? or
I've never seen you n my dreams And I cons der my dream as my pr.vacy
If you ever nvade my dream, you w ll not get away with it
Even if you enter by m stake
I don't want to enter your dream by m stake either ? I don't want to lose my l fe over that you know?
BANG
Don't worry
You are welcome to enter my dream Mars
No thanks I don't want to be hurt Your dream s a war zone
Hmmph
CAT

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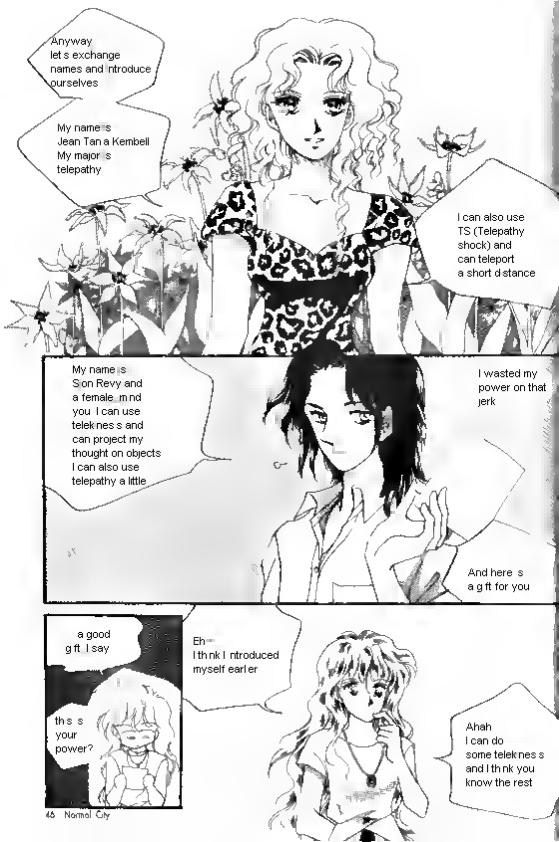
Anyway
let s exchange
names and ntroduce
ourselves
My name s
Jean Tan a Kembell
My major s
telepathy
I can also use
TS (Telepathy
shock) and
can teleport
a short d stance
My name s
Son Revy and
a female mnd
you I can use
telekne s s and
can project my
thought on objects
I can also use
telepathy a ttle
I wasted my
power on that
jerk
And here s
a g ft for you
a good
g ft I say
th s s
your
power?
Eh—
I th nk I ntroduced
myself earl er
Ahah
I can do
some telekne s s
and I th nk you
know the rest

I have an ability to enter others' dream.
I didn't know that I was being called "Dream invader".
My name s Isha Green My major s teleportat on and rest of my ab lit es are st ll be ng developed

What
That s it ?
Um what
d d you do
before jo n ng
us ?
I was a
member of
another
team
They
k cked
me out
So f you want
to k ck me out
feel free to
provoke me for
a f ght
It s not l ke I l ke
be ng n a group
that I cannot
f gure out genders
of members by
appearance
Look
who s
talking
Calm down !
I see
Cute face
equals to
bad
personality
I am go ng
down
He s right about
quest onable
gender though
Stop it
He looks
l ke a g rl too

Haha yes
it s ndeed
quest onable

They have not
been on Earth
for long So
they are probably
not used to the
env ronment
Isha I want you
to look after them

Are you ser ous ?
Are you ser ously
askng me to do that?
Besdes 3 grls ?
Why not
youd be l v ng
among flowers
Flowers? There s
quality of flowers
Son the name was?
Ser ously s that a female?
And the grl named Jean
gave me an mpress on
of bitch on the f rst s ght

And that Mars she has an ab lity that I really hate Bes des I don't really l ke her attitude and express ons
I can do f ne solo !
Let me solo Kane
First of all ! Whether it's male or female, I don't like to work in a group !
Forget it You are here because no ex st ng Earth team wants you
Just be sure to have your power under control
If they hadn't bothered me so much I wouldn't have done it
Concenning that issue, wouldn't this group be better at that ?

What are these?
Sea
Hey
you are here
as well
I just felt like
swimming
this time Jonme
He looks
pleasant
Yeah?
I think I am
But it's strange
because I have
no reason to be

My whole body aches I feel as if I was swimming all night
His dream again?
Yeah
He's been appearing in your dream a lot lately Perhaps you are entering his dream intentionally
I don't know
?!

... Hello, did you sleep well ?
Hello.
Calm down, Sion !
Fine ! You are a jerk ! Let me see your face !
He n the dream and he n reality are very d fferent Why ?
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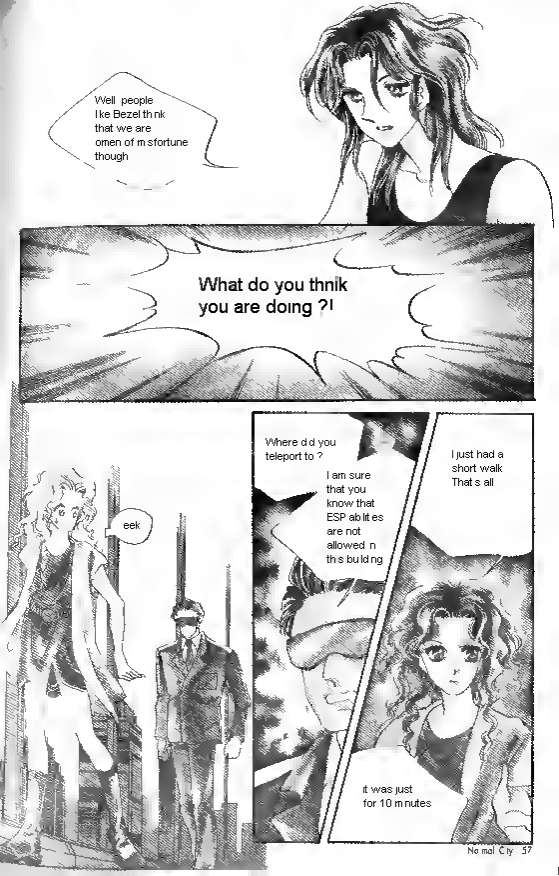
We are never gonna have teamwork with him
It will be like nuclear war zone everyday
Where is Jean ?
She had her meal earlier and went out
We are free today you know
Will that be all right ? We are not allowed to go outside yet
I guess it's fine That's what teleportation skill is good for
If I had that skill I would have gone out already
Develop it then
Yeah and then you will blame me for destruction of Earth
It will be destruction of Universe
What ever


Well people
Ike Bezel thnk
that we are
omen of m sfortune
though
What do you thnik
you are doing ?!
Where d d you
teleport to ?
I am sure
that you
know that
ESP abilit es
are not
allowed n
th s bu ld ng
I just had a
short walk
That s all
it was just
for 10 m nutes
eek

Did anyone give you permission to go out ?!
You are not allowed to go out without permission, period !
And even use your ESP ?
I just had a glance What s so b g deal about that ?
We w ll be allowed to go out by tomorrow anyway !
Id ot !
Don't you know that you ve agreed to comply whatever rule we ve set for your kind ?!
Tomorrow s tomorrow and today s today !
You can't do anyth ng without our perm ss on !!
Oh, yeah ?

So that s how it s
Why don't you say again, mister
Do you know what you are about to do ?
Don't you know that you have to obey the rules ?
I said I d keep it in my mind, but I ve never said I d obey

And most of all
let s remnd you that
we are not the cr mnals
but our parents are We are
obey ng s mply because of
our paretns
Keep that n mnd
If you provoke us
beyond th s po nt
we w ll just have
to do what we
have to do
do you want
trouble ?
Jean
Bezel they are
ser ous
You have the
tr gger here
Will Kane
l ke it ?
Do you st ll
want to do th s
m ster?

Kane will not like what you did here today
I will let you get away with it this time But today's event will not benefit you any
Wasn't you being too strong Mars?
It's all right ! He has been looking down at us like we are low beings. I was about to do the same anyway !
Yes - Besides, we don't need to bend over for him.
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You helped us I guess Thanks
No need to thank me I don't like Bezel anyway
Whatever
Cute guys are mean
Are we really going to be teaming with that guy?
He doesn't look like he's going to
Well
I bet he will accept

I will do it
Good
You didn't give me a hard time this time
Well I did like a fact that they didn't make a big fuss about my appearance
That's true
Anyone who saw you liked you even men
I guess people on Mars have a different taste of beauty
But they aren't as bad as Bezel's taste
I don't like him at all
And I never did
I know he is your secretary and all
But why do you have him around?
it makes me not to like you

Now now,
let s quit the chit chat
Before you team with them
I need to tell you something
it is very
important
to me and
to you
And it will grant you
additional score
if you do it right
What is it ?
The girl,
Mars Heaven.
If you find anything
suspicious or unusual
report to me right
away
That s your
classified
mission

What do you mean?
That s all I can tell you
If you do it well you will become a freeman sooner

Hello
Hello !
I haven't seen th s env ronment before What s it?
it s some house I saw from a book long ago
I just feel cozy n one
yeah...? I guess it's cozy.
I guess you are right
What are you look ng through the w ndow?
I guess I am glad to see you everynight. But the more I see you, the more I feel that this is a weird dream.

?!!
Eh ?!
Me ?
Ahah __I was just th nk ng about her It seems the adm n strat on wants to keep eyes on her
Mars Heaven s her name a we rd g rl
Uh, wait ! Then what about me here ?

I thought that I m ght be
look ng d fferent
What do I look Ike to
h m exactly ?
What s wrong
You look pale
Is there a
m rror here?
Over
there
I see

I see I should have known
Ah you are awake already
S'on
Too bad I m ssed a chance to observe you today
D d you have a bad dream ? You look somewhat pale

By the way, why are you always here when I wake up ?
I wonder what dream you have
It s just curiously
So, you are a stalker and an observer
Call me a researcher I am planning to write an essary about it
Anyway, we will be allowed to go out today
I can't wat to see those Earthans and streets
People in this building are just so boring and plain
Son, did I act strange yesterday?
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Not really.
That's good then.
Well, the situation called for it. You weren't acting out of your character.
I try-
But it s t me to get the drugs

I don't want to team
with you personally
But this is a job
Nice to meet you
Even when you
sound formal
you are still a
bastard
Are you
trying to
provoke me?
Isn't your
behavior
provocative?
Anyway
we are a team
now Let's get
along
I don't like to
handshake
with female
That's it
So you are
proud of being
a male ?
Calm
down
Son

He s go ng to
l ve w th us in the
same apartment ?
Damn i but still
h s presence w ll
nterfere our l fe
Hey guys are
you really ok w th
th s ?
Do you th nk
I l ke the dea?
The others are
qu et about it
Why do you keep
bitch ng about it ?
I don't care
Me either No need to
reject a cute man
Don't make it sound bad
You all have your
own room
how can
you say that
out loud you
Of course
I don't l ke an arrogant
guy l ke you
And my name
s Jean
Now now
get nto the
car

Who are they ?
They came straight from express elevator from top So I guess they are espers
Woah, there are two handsome and tall guys.
I thought they were couples.
I never liked girls hanging out with handsome guys.
Even though there was a nuclear war rather recently, the recovery has been good and steady. Of course, the culture has been rebuilt as people wanted
What you experienced on Mars was just yet another repeat of history that happened on Earth 30 years ago
You will be faced with many new things to learn and get used to
What's the ratio of natural birth to artificial birth ?

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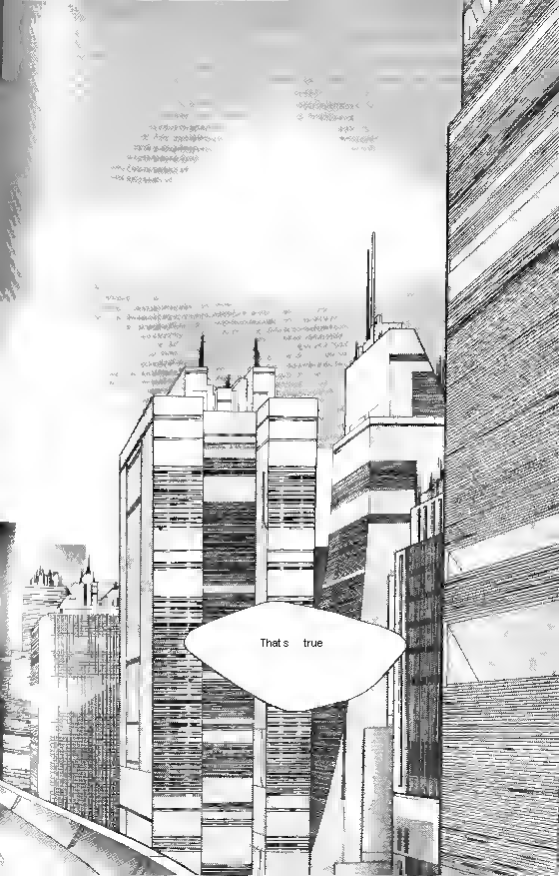
Always bad things are heard faster.
It couldn't have been helped. Because of radioactivity, there were too much risk for deformed babies. Some area had to rely on artificial fertilization.
But that doesn't mean those who were naturally born are superior than those who did not.
Hmmph. but I still think they are different.
I was just asking.
Oh. that guy's cute.
I have no intention to discuss social issues.
What. We have to deal with another person? I hope he's not like that guy over there.
Fight elsewhere. This is my car.
We are almost here. For a while, you will be trained. So, ask your trainer for things you need.
Do you think I like doing this?

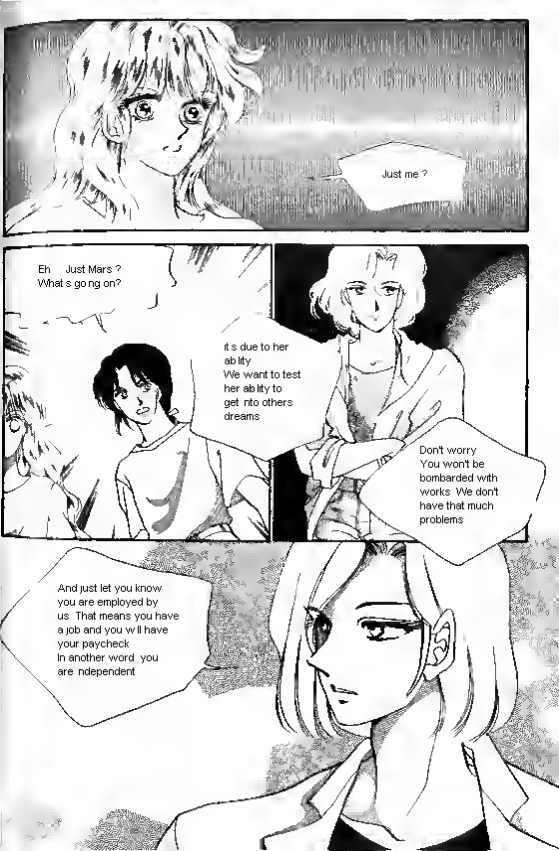
Anyway
Yeah ?
Earth s sky
s sure better
than the pnk sky
on Mars


That s true

Top floor ?
I will get sick by just going up and down
Shut up
You always complain
Fight elsewhere
Leave them alone
They are just a bunch of kids
He was wrong then ?
They look ordinary

You can't judge them by their appearance
Besides, you can't say that espers are ordinary
Hmmph! Espers are everywhere!
I don't know why he insists finding it
He must have his reasons
Let's go. We have other tasks to do
Who do you think it will be?
Probably Mars Heaven
But you never know. The record says that all of them were born on Mars

And perhaps
she may not know
truth about herself
Where can I get
some drugs ?
Are you
s ck ?
No just
a headache
You can ask for
bas c kind of
drugs from a person
you w ll see soon
And Mars
I have a m ss on
for you


Just me ?
Eh Just Mars ?
What s go ng on?
t s due to her
ab lity
We want to test
her ab lity to
get nto others
dreams
Don't worry
You won't be
bombarded with
works We don't
have that much
problems
And just let you know
you are employed by
us That means you have
a job and you w ll have
your paycheck
In another word you
are ndependent

Are you leav ng now Kane
Ah Mart e were you wait ng for me ?
Yes- Long t me no see s r

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Strange
It s com ng faster
than It should
It shouldn't
be
Where s th s 'trainer ?
Is he ever go ng to
show up ?

I want to watch TV
Do you think this program here will be good to watch ?
Let's go out
Let's check the refrigerator
This is our first day as citizens of Normal City
I want to see how the streets would look at night
Don't you ?
Well yeah but the trainer isn't here yet
Even if he came he wouldn't allow us to go out at night
Let's go out now
We've been good puppies for them so far it's time to change sides

I suggest you don't do anything troublesome.
I don't want any troubles
You don't need to come !
Jean can you teleport me out of here ?

No way am I going to let you go alone I am going with you
Ahah yeah If we just walk out of here they may send someone to stalk us
Don't worry about it You can count on me
Wait, you ido...
Shut up, coward !
You don't know how this city is like

F ne, whatever
f you cause troubles
and get th s team d sbanded
that s f ne with me
I w ll be glad even!
I god
noth ng to
lose
"You don't need to come !!"
I don't
care !
they are
all bitches
Sorry for keep ng
you wait

EH
I smiled
I don't like
smiling
I love that
dress !
Hey even if we
earn money
I have a pretty
good idea that
how our money
will be spent r
Let's not share
our money pool
That's not a
bad idea
Yay look at the
show ndow
It's exactly the same
as what we say
from the films on
Mars !

Hmmph! I knew that'd do something like that
Jean! Comon!
geez

Eh ... ?
What ?
Teleport ?
Wait ...,
she didn't tell me
she had teleport
ability when she
was introducing
herself
And ...
I thought that
Jean girl teleported
them out ?
Mars,
where are you -
Mars -

I cannot track her signature !
Th s s not some ord nary short d stance teleport
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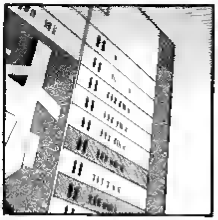
Hey what are you do ng here ? No outs der s allowed n th s sector
Esper ?



Info
panel ?

No there are just too much
drugs to d st ngu sh
Bes des,
father took
care of th s
most of t me
What should I do ?

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Shit -
why do I have to act like their guardian?
But Kane asked me to look after the girl, Mars, and I couldn't find her ...
I am in a trouble also...
What's going on?
Mars just disappeared

Isn't her sickness period near ?
Even so
Why did she have to avoid us and act alone ?
Will Mars be all right? Her father used to take care of her always when she was sick regularly
You know that Mars has teleport ability. don't you ?
I don't know

She doesn't mention it.
So, I don't bother asking.
But I don't know why she is hiding
Maybe, she can even do telepathy.
Mars doesn't seem to like the fact that she has powers
That bitch !!
How can she treat her only friends like this ?!
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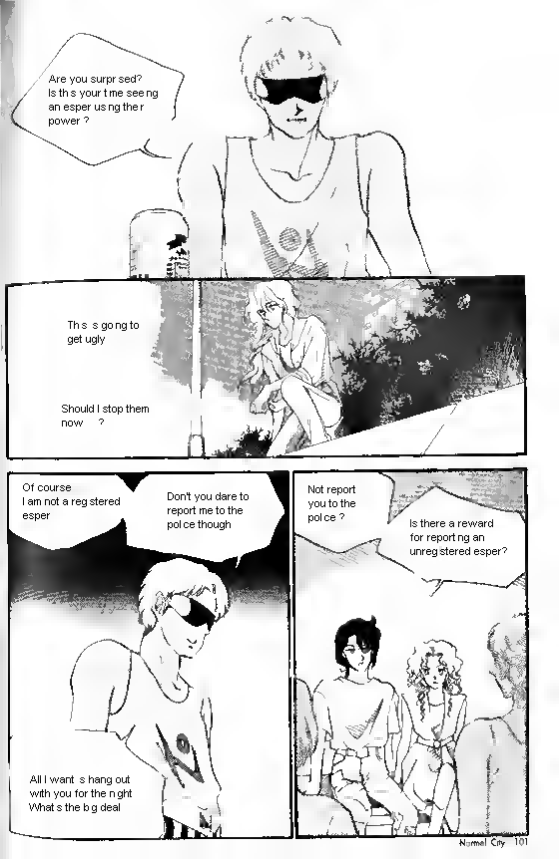
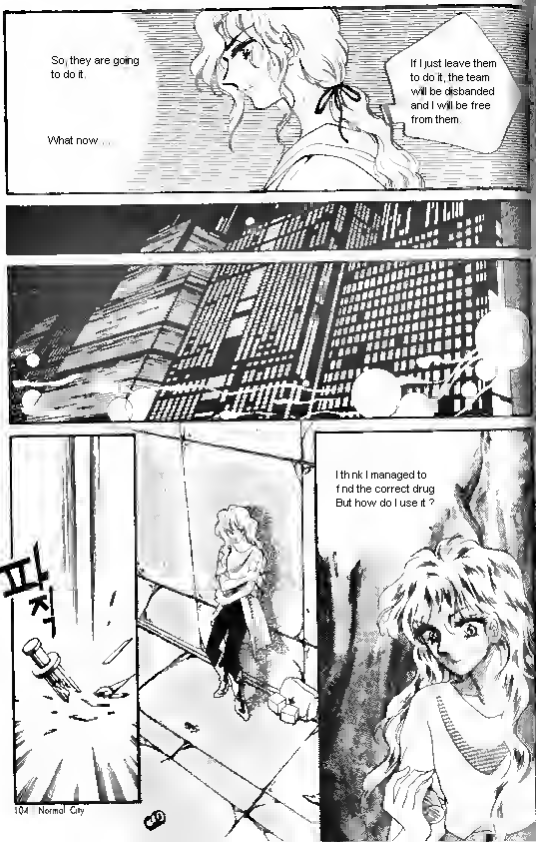
Hey
do you want
to play with
us then ?
If you were
dumped by
your friend
What a nice couple
you two are
But don't you
prefer a man
like me than him?
Are you talking
about me ?
you take
care of
this I am
tired

Hey kid
If you are try ng to
be a kn ght go
dr nk your mother s
m lk more
I am much suited
for that lady
Why don't you bug
off
Look lady
I really l ke you
Allow me to show
you someth ng nteresting


Are you surpr sed? Is th s your t me see ng an esper us ng the r power ?
Th s s go ng to get ugly
Should I stop them now ?
Of course I am not a reg stered esper
Don't you dare to report me to the pol ce though
All I want s hang out wth you for the n ght What s the b g deal
Not report you to the pol ce ?
Is there a reward for report ng an unreg stered esper?

Don't k d yourself
Anyway it s not
Ike we are go ng
to harass you
Now
come on
You w ll have
more fun
I promo se
it s not Ike
espers are
d fferent from
humans
What ?
Hmm you are
r ght

Funny
Right
Espers are no
different than
ordinary humans


So, they are going to do it.
What now ...
If I just leave them to do it, the team will be disbanded and I will be free from them.
I th nk I managed to f nd the correct drug But how do I use it ?
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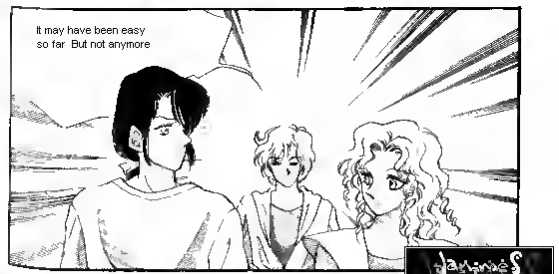
What, you are one of us.
Ahahaha, this is even better ! What don't you join our club ?
Your club ? Don't make me laugh. Do you really think we are going to join a group of idiots ?
Don't bother us and bug off.

You sure have harsh tongue. Looks like you are new to this city ? Is that how you deal with seniors ?
Wah -
I am going to have to teach you a lesson.
So, you are going to do this, huh.
..... that's it. I don't care anymore.

What ?

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Anyway,
I wonder
what happened
to Mars
L v ng here may
not be as easy
as it was on Mars

...Hey there ... what are you doing ?
Are you all right ?
Are you hurt or sick ? Do you want me to call the police ?
yes ?

No
I am just tired
That s all

You sure are early
But th s s too late
for kds to be outs de
Martie ??
Is that
the tra ner?
It wasn't
ke you
Isha
You d never do
someth ng that d
g ve you m nus
po nts

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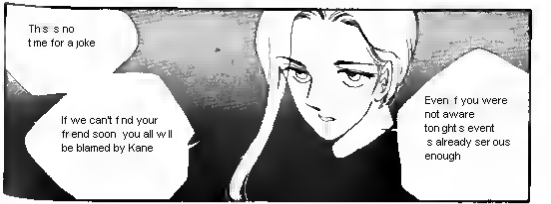
Jean Tana Kembell
And the m ss ng one
s Mars Heaven
I am
Son Revy
I guess this is
a bad encounter
for all of us.
Just why you
did this ?
Care to explain?
Don't tell him about the
gangsters.

We only went out for shopping.
And then Mars got lost and we wandered around to find her.
And then we ended up with some gangsters who were trying to get a date with Jean here. All we did was to repel them.

I was trying to help you -
Who told you to help me ?


This is no time for a joke
If we can't find your friend soon you all will be blamed by Kane
Even if you were not aware tonight's event is already serious enough

Just let you know I have noth ng to do with th s
it s not Ike I kked th s team If it gets d sbanded that s f ne with me
We don't like you, either !
Yeah, yeah, I know ! Let's end this once for all !
Sounds Ike there s no teamwork F ght however you want
But no off cal dec s on has been made yet So be qu et and stay here unt l further not ce

Are you going to see Kane now?
If you find anything suspicious and unusual . . .
Why do you have something to tell him?
Nothing
I will see you later
This is not the right time and I don't feel like talking about it just yet
Let's drink coffee, Jean

What s so big deal
with th s anyway

I understand
that it's been
only a month.
But you really
don't know
anything.
Of course not.
We've been
confined and
were checked
for anomalies.
We were never
told about the
society!
That s why
I told you to
l sten to me

People here treat
espers l ke mutat ons
Normal City
just l ke its name
Th s place s for
normal people

Looks like Kane hasn't told you anything in detail Espers cannot live in this city without a permit
Even if they get a permit, they have to get a medical check and report where they live every year
The espers you saw tonight is illegal espers who didn't have permits If they are caught they are either confined or exiled from this city
Why is it so harsh for espers?
Not all espers are like us, stable so to speak
Understand ? If they give you a red card that is the end for you
I suggest you be extra careful about what you do

But f you choose to cooperate with the government depend ng on how well you do you can be a freeman
You have to s gn an agreement that you w ll not use your powers to others and not use too much And then you can have a job at your w ll and be free
That s why you guys want r ght ?
I haven't though about it
You w ll th nk about it n near future
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.... ?
What's this place ?
I've never seen such a place ....

Looks like your dream and mine were mixed this time.
Ah ....

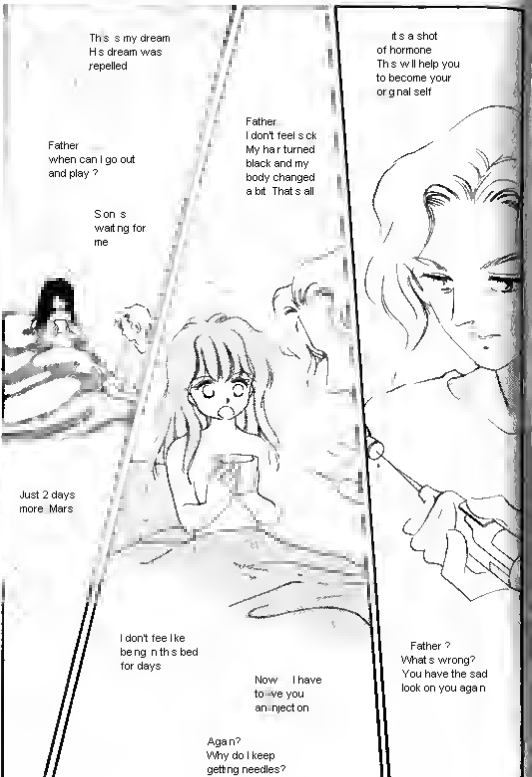
This is ... your dream?
Then you really exist?

Of course I do exist

can I meet you n real then ?
see ng th s you m ght not be from Earth
What s that box? I don't feel I ke that s a part of my dream
Ah ? I th nk that s someth ng I've been looking for
That girl, yes.
She disappeared tonight. So, I went out looking for her. Maybe, that's why she's here right now.

Hmm
Does that mean you are pay ng attent on to her?

Eh ?


This s my dream
Hs dream was
repelled
Father
when can I go out
and play ?
Son s
wait ng for
me
Just 2 days
more Mars
I don't fee Ike
beng n ths bed
for days
Father
I don't feel s ck
My har turned
black and my
body changed
a bt That s all
Now I have
to ive you
an inject on
Agan?
Why do I keep
getng needles?
t s a shot
of hormone
Ths w ll help you
to become your
or g nal self
Father ?
What s wrong?
You have the sad
look on you agan

What's wrong?
Your eyes look so sorrow..
Father ....
Did you sleep well ?

You slept for a whole day Do you want to eat someth ng?
I made some n ce soup
Or I have hot coffee and warm bread
Here ?
Looks Ike you don't remember what happened
were you by any chance drugged at that t me ?

Yes I do remember
I owe you
Anyway eat someth ng
Hehe it s been really a long t me s nce I cooked someth ng for someone
And for a pretty man I am w lling to do that anyt me
Yes?
Ah d d we by any chance sleep in the well
We are both females So I guess there shouldn't be any problem but...

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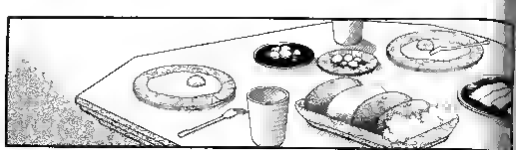
Of course I only have one bed in this apartment
Hahaha - Just kidding ! It's a sofa-bed you are lying on
My room is over there
Ah
Eh you look so relieved I should have not told you the truth
I feel sad

I am sorry
but where are my clothes ?
I don't thnk you could wear yours So I bought new ones
I see
Fne - I w ll be n my room
I don't Ike th s
She s treat ng me Ike a male



Don't you have some place to contact ?
I couldn't f nd your wallet or ID
So I couldn't contact anywhere
It s f ne
Hmm you look young How old are you ?

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d d you run away from home ? You have nowhere else to go r ght ?
Thanks for let ng me sleep over n your apartment and g v ng me food
I can't repay you r ght now But I w ll repay you when I can I d l ke to take my leave now
I d d n't do it because I wanted a thankyou
You may come here anyt me you want
Thanks

Ah what s your name ?
I am Sugar
Let s at least exchange our names
S on I am S'on
N ce name I hope we w ll see each other aga n
I ke cute boys

What's wrong with you ?!
You can't even find a small girl ?!
Well ... even if one is an esper, when they don't use their powers they look exactly the same as ordinary people
But, since she can't teleport I don't think she could have gotten away far
However she's not nearby We've searched everywhere close
Those damned critters I had bad impressions about them from the beginning I knew this would happen sooner or later
Kane has been too easy on them as well

If noth ng works we w ll have to release her photo
No ! We cannot risk to release her identity to public.
But s r we won't be able to f nd her fast
Bes des doesn't th s belong to esper s cr me ?
Her fr ends are here She w ll contact them eventually
Calm down
F nd another way

Argh ~ where the hell is Mars ?!
That bitch ! If I see her ...
I don't know what happened to know But she could have at least contact us
Would you just calm down Son
Can you be a little cons derate and th nk of us who has to l sten your wh n ng all day long

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Why aren't they contacting us ?!
Do something, Isha !
How should I know ? I am not Kane!
I have nothing to lose!
I guess it was not "us" but me
Those two are hot headed really
Where are you...
Washroom!
CAT
Son you are putting me on an edge
ok I will calm down

I am the one who wants to p ss off and yell Why am I do ng here?
Who is it ?
I can't see the face well from here
uh Is th s Is th s where Mars Heaven lves ?
Yes, hold on !
Who ...

who are you ?
My name s Gai S Heston
Is th s where Mars Heaven lives ?
That s r ght What br ngs you here ?

I am here on behalf of Mars Heaven
Can I come n?
What? Who s at door ? Who ? Who ?
Ah , sure Come in
I am gett ng a we rd feel ng form h m
He appears to know someth ng about Mars
What - ?!!



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Where d d you meet Mars?
Why couldn't Mars come ? Is she hurt?
Come on, tell us

I am sorry I don't know much
I found her n an ally wh le I was just pass ng by
She asked me to come here and g ve you the news s nce she couldn't come because of some problems

She also told me to contact the adm n strat on t sounded to me that she was an unreg stered eesper
S nce it s a law that unreg stered espers must be reported I f gured I d do a favor wh le on the way
Is that it ? Tell us more Why d d she want to contact the adm n strat on?
I don't know Maybe she doesn't know how to contact
She left say ng she d be back f everyth ng goes well
The only way to contact Kane remotely s by us ng h s secret phone I ne He s not easy to get a hold of
I w ll contact h m now
d d she leave any words to us ?

Ahah - she told me to tell her friends that she is sorry.
Middle name ?
Gai S Heston... S stands for Sion. Some call me Sion as well.
Eck - that feels just plain weird. A person whose name is the same as mine ?
Jean's guess about what she will say
Jean and S on yes. S'on ah haha
S'on s my middle name as well
Hmm s that so - I guess we might have homogeneity
Eh ?

I called Kane
He should be here soon
Do you want coffee ?
I will do it You will just break cups
I can do too
Son

yeah ?
Why
What s wrong?
Does someth ng
bother you ?
No
not really
It s just that
I th nk he s
fam l ar
Hmm..maybe
I am not sure
He s wear ng
glasses you know
Why don't
you take off
your glasses?

Yes ?
Just ...
curiosity, I guess.
Sorry, I don't like to deal with strangers.
even though I somehow got involved in this ...

What ?
There was't an nterphone sound

You are go ng to come with us

What he left? I've got a cup of coffee here
Cook e, too
Why couldn't he tell in front of us ?
We are her fr ends
Well he told us to contact Kane only I guess she doesn't need fr ends
Ahah yes I so can't wait until she comes back
Maybe Mars shouldn't come back at all
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Who d call here ?

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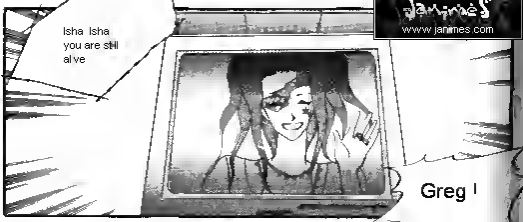

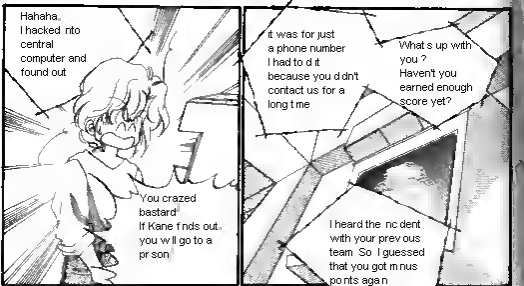

Man when are you gonna be a freeman? You do want to s
Shut up !
Stop !
Dude are you drugged? Control your temper
Th s is my bus ness Mnd your own bus ness!
Whether I want to be a freeman or not or whether I want to pursue my dream or not that s my dec s on
Hang up now ! I don't want to go to a pr son with you !
We w ll be wating for you darl ng ~
I am gonna k ll you !!
Oh my you love me so much that you are go ng to k ll me ? Me so happy ~
YOU !!

Powerful conversat on
They seem to get along well
Who was that mutant ?
t s we rd that you can't seem to control your temper on th s matter
Do you th nk I am a m ng to be a freeman for noth ng ?
Mind your own bus ness
What s that you want to do when you become a freeman ?
Yes yes f ne
I don't like th s city at all
If I d dn't have a goal in th s city I wouldn't stay here even for a second
Hmph
What s that you want to do anyway?
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It s none of your bus ness
You clai m that you have news about Mars Heaven
And you are not reporti-ng her, but here on behalf of her ?
Hmmph. Normal City? That s b g bogus

Yes,
I am here on her behalf
She w shes to see
her father
She wants to keep
th s secret
Therefore I was
asked to contact
the adm n strat on
Where d d
you f nd her?
In an ally
How d d
she look
lke ?
long blonde
har , blue eyes,
and green sh
clothes

Right - that sounds like Mars Heaven. And ?
yes?
We already d d database search on you. No one exists by name of Gai S Heston.
That makes you an illegal v sitor to th s city and you still walked r ght nto where you d get caught
I find it hard to believe, but ...
Are you Mars Heaven ?

So, you knew
I came here to negot ate, Kane
I do not know what you really want from me, but I will work for you.
Let me get back to who I am. And call my father.
When scientists told me about you, I was skeptical. But this is amusing for sure.

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I have someone to thank while I am still in this shape
Before I am taken to a lab can I make a phone call ?
fine
Yes hello ?
Sugar ?
Ah Son how did it go ?
Everything s all right I thank you for everything you ve done for me
Unfortunately I will not be able to see you anymore
I see I guess it can't be helped If everything turned out good for you that s all matters I guess
Thank you
Don't be I used to help a lot of people like you My younger brother s one good exmaple
Call me when you need my help
Yes
I have to go now
Ok bye

Th s s me
No he may be me
But th s s another person ns de me

We will
This is truly amazing.
It's hard to believe that such a specimen was successfully created.
This is not just a gender change. Whole DNA structure was swapped. This is a completely different person.
I wonder it has any effect on her personality
It is sad that the project was put on stop.

How are you
feeling ?

I feel f ne
You wanted to meet your father but why d d you refuse h s treatment ?
The med cal technology n th s city s far more advanced than Mars t generally took me a week to get back to myself
t doesn't matter does t kane ?
I gave your sc ent sts a chance to exam ne me What are you compla n ng about ?
Aggressive.
I see.
Your personality as a male seems to be softer.
Normal City

I guess the male one has softer gene
Do you know why you are like this ?
I don't know And I have no intention to find out
You are not expecting me to find out and do something about it, are you ?
Leave me be I will help you with other stuff
are you going to tell my friends about this ?
No this will be classified
Good for now then

Mars -
Long time no see, father

Eh
so
you
I know what you are trying to say. Yes, I've changed once.
And they know. Of course, they know. I can't do anything about it alone anyway.
They have good technology here. It took only a day.
For now I dec ded to be protected by the adm n strat on That s better for my safety for now
They are not gonna tell my fr ends
How are you, father?
I am f ne I am just worr ed about you

You used to be talkat ve Mars
When I was l v ng on Mars I d dn't th nk about it ser ously I just thought that it was just how I was
it was rregular but my body changed about two t mes per month My har color my sk n color and my sexual organ changed
A strange sensat on of reject on grow ng ns de of me
Yes
I loved you father
Or at least I th nk so

I... still love you very much, Mars.
I don't know anymore
I want to ask something, father.
TOL
IT O
The cameras are destroyed
She d d it ntent on ally

Am I a human, father ... ?
I don't care about others' reponses. I want a clear answer from you.

What are you saying, it is obvious. You are my daughter.
What I meant to ask was ... am I your biological daughter ?
Of course you were born between me and my w fe Agasa
You are a liar.

Mars
Do you remember ? The night when we arrived at Mars
At that time, I realized that I was not a human ...
And that I was not your biological daughter ...

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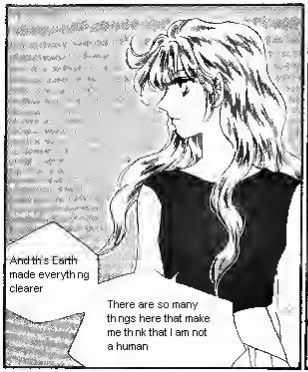
And th s Earth made everyth ng clearer
There are so many th ngs here that make me th nk that I am not a human

Mars !
No matter what you think, you are a human !!
and you are my daughter !!

Don't worry I won't do anyth ng for now
I w ll observe

In this city where people see even espers as some kind of monsters,
I am going to wait and see if I am really a human
I am going to find my final answer from this city of normal people
Part I - The Other Side End of the Part

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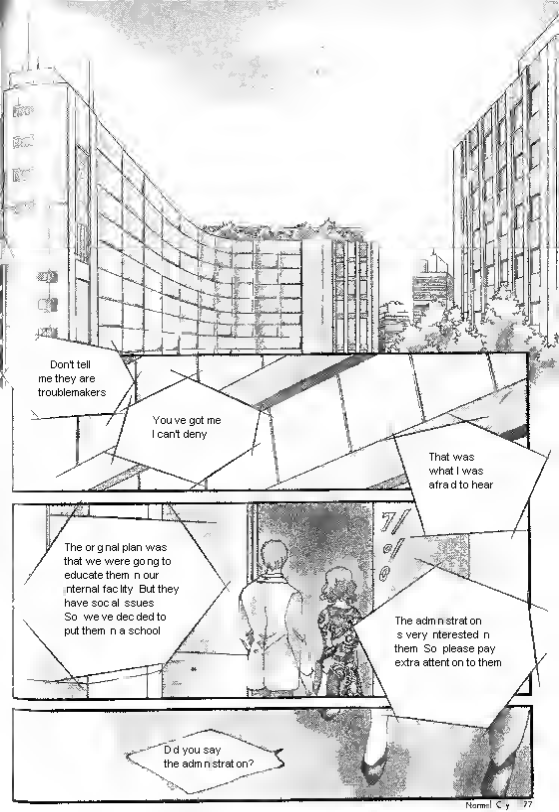
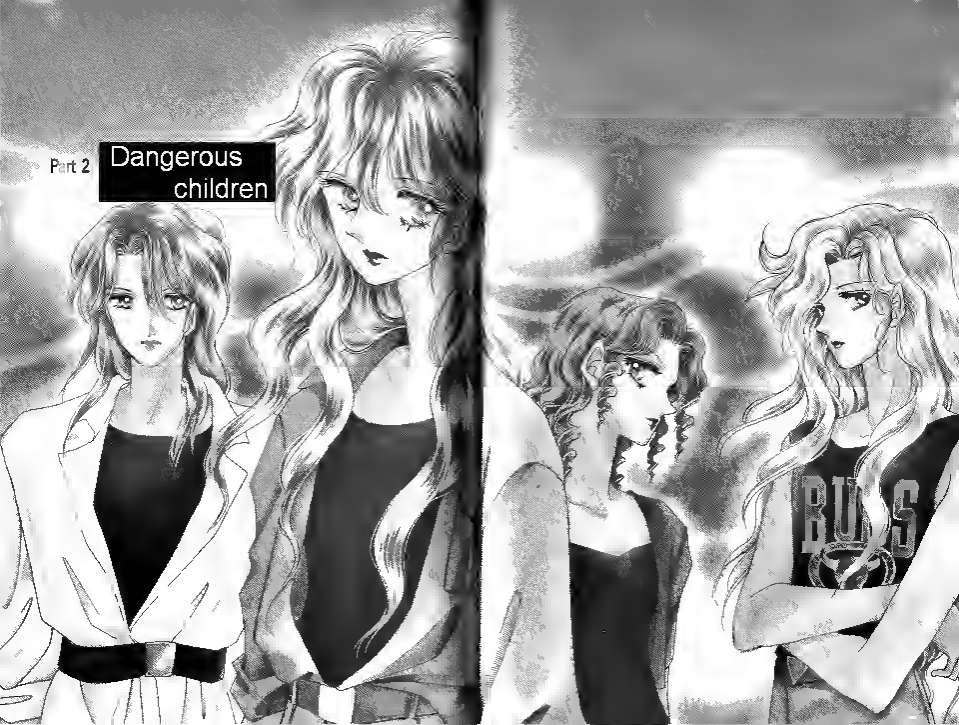
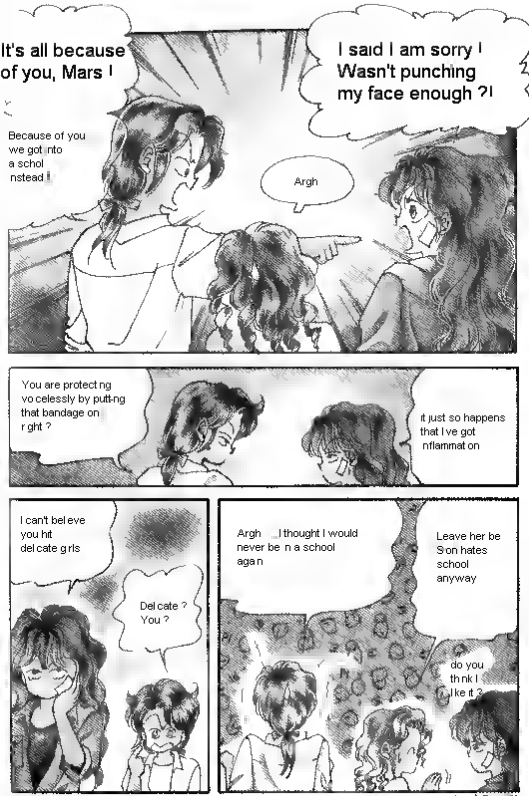

Don't tell me they are troublemakers
You've got me I can't deny
That was what I was afraid to hear
The original plan was that we were going to educate them in our internal facility But they have social issues So we've decided to put them in a school
The administration is very interested in them So please pay extra attention to them
Did you say the administration?


Part 2
Dangerous children

What, what ?
They are from Mars?
Do they have like
10 legs?
Isn't that kind of
gag too old ?
Hmm
I didn't know
there were
espers on Mars
How strong
are they ?
What class?
What's wrong with
that one?
Did she fight
someone?
Hey, the girls
are all right
What's with the
last one ?
That girlish boy
Hmm
I think that kind of guy
's Venus type
well
if you put that
way, I guess
you are right


It's all because of you, Mars !
I said I am sorry ! Wasn't punching my face enough ?!
Because of you we got into a schol nstead !
Argh
You are protect ng vo celessly by putt-ng that bandage on r ght ?
t just so happens that I've got nflammat on
I can't bel eve you hit del cate g rls
Del cate ? You ?
Argh _I thought I would never be n a school agan
Leave her be Son hates school anyway
do you th nk I l ke it ?

Yes ~! Isha ended up being the happy one.
At last ! I am free ! Good luck to you !
I am legally an adult.
But when Kane said the team wasn't disbanded he sure made a face.
I don't like ether
Seriously, Mars, Sion was really worried about you.
The reason she's cocky now is because she feels sorry for hitting you
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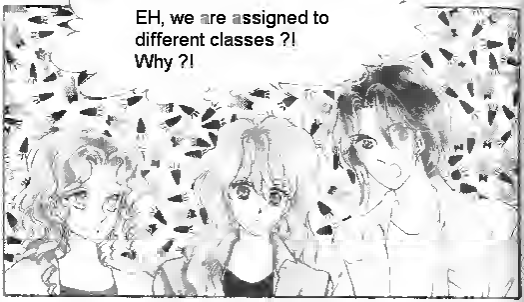
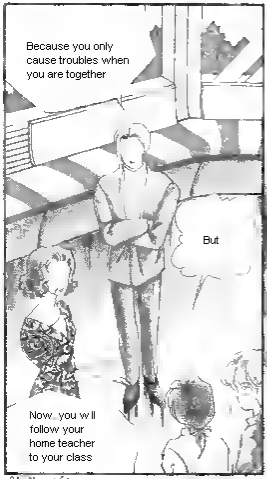
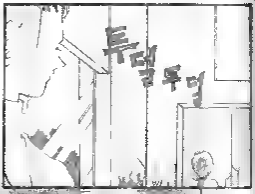
I know
If you feel my punch
s unjust f ed punch back
I really feel about
you two


EH, we are assigned to different classes ?!
Why ?!


Because you only cause troubles when you are together
But
Now, you will follow your home teacher to your class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Ther guardan s me Contact me f anyth ng happens
Yes sr

Hm it s good
None of them
are in Venus
class
Well
f so they
w ll eventually
meet h m
I hope he doesn't
case any more
troubles
Anyway,
d d he come
school today?
He d dn't come
to morn ng classes
Haha
it s funny
Even though he
causes so much
troubles when he
s absent I k nd of
m ss h m
Yes you are
quite r ght

What are they talk ng about ?
It seems they are talking about someone named Venus
The name s Venus? The person must be pretty
Hmm Venus ?
I ike pretty people
It could mean the planet Venus

That s r ght hahaha
Venus and Mars hahaha
We w ll go ahead Follow me Mars Heaven
They are we rd teachers They dress up l ke students
Shhh
The person named Venus s lt because he s pretty?
Or s h s name Venus?
It s both He s a b g trouble maker So I adv ce you not to approach h m
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You have a good matchng name as h s I wonder f you w ll get along wth h m
I have no reason to Or s there ?
He s n your class
Hm you are also Class A esp
Don't hang out wth Venus
The name s Mars Heaven She s from Mars and she came to th s school n order to learn soc al sk lls
Nce to meet you

She seems to be a quiet one
I doubt she will have a conflict with Venus
I think that guy Son will be interesting
My name is Son Revy And just let you know I am doubt X meaning female
Hmm that is right it is written here
Normal City 189

People n my class were talk ng about you S on
They asked me if you were really a grl So I told them that we even had showers together
They asked me as well
What s so b g deal about it anyway ?
Well no one on Mars found you unusual
Those three are from Mars
I heard that they are all Class A espers
Not bad
If they jo n our clan it w ll benefit us good
But don't rush Let s take it slowly

How did it go at school?
Trying to make fun of them.
One thing was good. It's that I didn't have to see your face !
Fine~
Same here as well.
What s up with the school anyway? it was an esper institute

Right. There are so many espers that they had to build a school for them And they still treat them like mutants?
And they still want espers' powers.
Didn't you notice ? The school was isolated.
Do you thnk I can answer that ?
I was told that if I use power outs de of class I w ll be suspended for a week Maybe I w ll use my power
F ne wth me But what w ll you do for a week ?
Forget it If you cause any more trouble you m ght end up stay ng with Kane
Hmmph it looks ke you d dn't cause any troubles at school I was hop ng though
We are not like you
Anyway. I am hungry Cook someth ng

You were home all day long Shouldn't you do it ?
I am not your maid
Now now calm down you two
Let s do it in turns I w ll cook today
At least we don't have to worry about money
We can buy and eat pretty much anyth ng we like to
?
I am gonna change
It's real fruits !!
?
Normal City 193

Wow = th s s for real
It s been a long t me And I see new ones
Who brought th s ?
Kane d d to congratulate you for enter ng school
Eh= the guy s a gentleman
Yeah = th s s really good
I know these are somewhat expens ve But haven't you eaten these?
We only began to eat these after we came here Earth
We haven't eaten much of these though Earth term nated sh pment to Mars for years you know
We had no fresh food on Mars We only ate frozen food that had no taste at all We were just happy to chew someth ng
Because of that many people on Mars have weak teeth

That s why there are so many mutants on Mars
Sion
I don't care any more
Hmm that grl..Mars.. s act ng l ke a grl now
Often she rad ates some k nd of we rd aura
By the way are you go ng to keep stay ng here and do noth ng?
I was conf ned with you guys But I can use my free t me now

Hey one more adv ce for you grls
Do not jo n some k nd of clan at school
What s that ?
You w ll eventually know
It s none of my bus ness but It s for your own good
Hmm f you are not go ng to explan then don't

What? At th s hour ?
Mars Heaven, you are be ng summoned
Eh ? Only Mars ? We were about to eat d nner
We don't have to explan it to you Mars Heaven be ready and come with us
I w ll tell you after I come back
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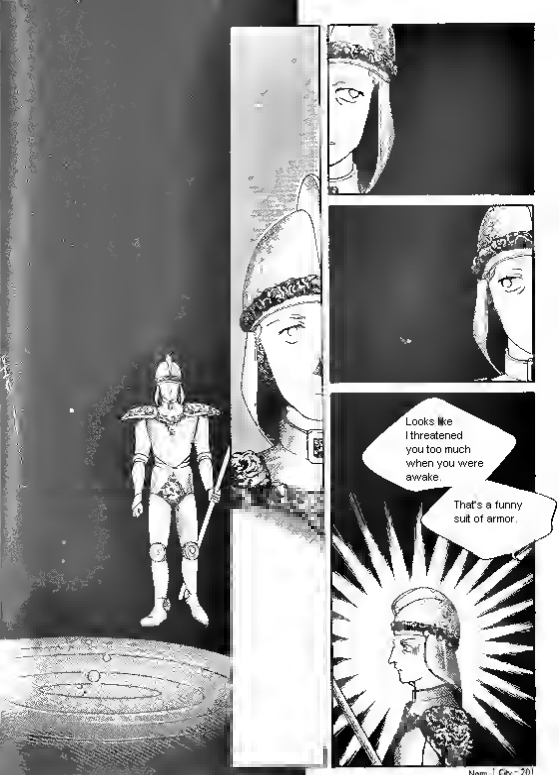
We want you to show us your ability to enter other's dream
Enter this person's dream and tell us what he dreamed
Where is Kane?

Why are you looking for him?
This is an order from him. All you need to do is comply, period.
Who is that person ?
That you don't need to know. All you need to is enter his dream and tell us what you saw.
Does that mean his sake is not concerned ?
May I kill him ?

His task will be recalling back his dream. No more, no less.
He is nothing of importance.
That means I don't have to be in his dream for long then. Let's begin.
Damn it. She knows how to pick weakness
She doesn't get angry or become hot-headed, but always calmly aggressive. She is a dangerous type.


Looks like I threatened you too much when you were awake.
That's a funny suit of armor.

Don't be afraid
Th s s a dark dream You must have been scared Well there s really no reason to be scared
Maybe you were skept cal if I could really enter your dream
Well I have no reason to stay any longer I w ll take my leave now

I don't know you and you don't know me So, my presence in your dream can be dangerous for my safety
You are probably going to need to confirm this So, just tell him this
Bezel, you are an idiot
this is my dream ... you have no right to enter...
This is my dream. Everything in my dream moves the way I like.
What are you ? What right do you have to do this ?
You ... you ...

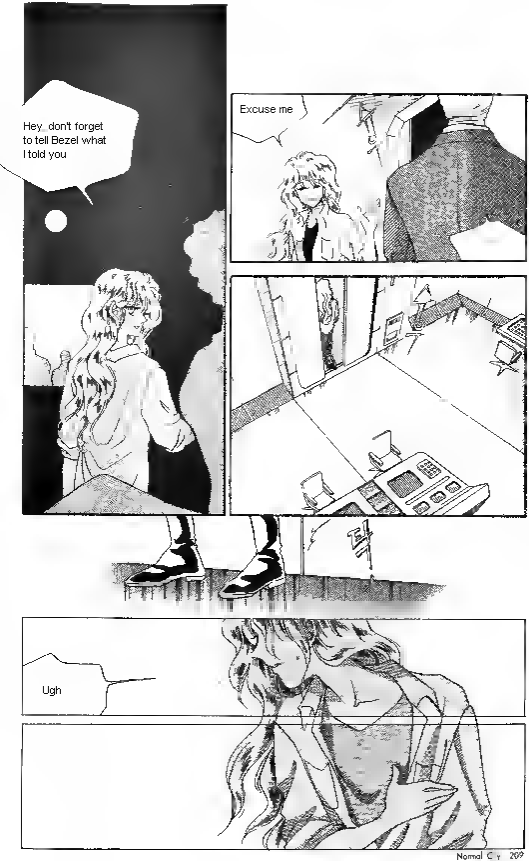
You are a monster !

Why did you agree to do this test if you weren't going to accept me in your dream?
You are ... a monster...
...Liar.

Interesting. Those people back there must be related to you, right ?
Hmm ..., you mistrust a lot of people.
Like how you fear me and not believe me that I won't hurt you
Are those who you mistrust and are afraid of ?
Yes, indeed. Bezel is there as well. You don't want to see them that you are afraid of him.
Get out !
People always run away from truth.
What don't you come here and have a good look at them ?
Get out !

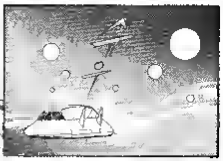
Get out !

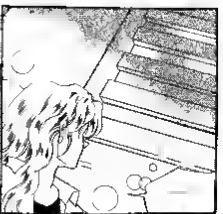
Uwaaaaa !!
That's a monster !
How can it enter other s dream
wait outs de
.... can I go now ?


Hey, don't forget to tell Bezel what I told you
Excuse me
Ugh

It really hurts
His fear pierced though me
It hurts
No
This pain is not because of him
This is
Ha....
Haha
Hahaha ....
Hahaha ....

Can you do tests afternoon?
I've got a school to attend you know
We may reconsider
We will call you when we have another assignment for you
Fine fine good night





Sion will find out that something happened since she can read my face . . .
And considering her hot blooded personality, she will go berserk.
Maybe, I will just take a walk.
Other side of this city is polluted with radioactivity
Yet people on this side resumes their normal life
As living on this side is meant for them
This is their home
Perhaps because this is their home they don't feel anything weird about this place

It s been one month
I felt lonely for past 16 years on Mars
I ve always longed the Earth that was shown on books and TV
More people there are on th s street, empt er I feel
N ce sound n ce song
Who is the s nger ?
It s an edited mus c v deo It doesn't show any people
The mus c is good though
Songs that I would never hear on Mars
yes, Mars
Let s try to be positive
New sensat ons

Th s s Earth

I heard Venus came a moment ago
What..., really ?
Yeah, he came straight to Dean's room. Maybe, he had been confined until today.
Maybe.
Hmmph, looks like the famous Venus s at school
Coming school at lunch hour?

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I am go ng to take a look at h m People say that he s pretty I want to see how cute he s
Wanna go ?
Not nterested Count me out
I don't feel Ike go ng
F ne
I am go ng to see h m and w ll tell you how he looks Ike

Mars
You ve been down ever s nce we came to Earth
Like last n ght you d dn't say a word
I don't th nk I ve seen you enjoy ng s nce we came to Earth
Yeah ?
Say something ! Say something, damn it !
You are becoming more violent every day !!
You are the one who should say rather than use v olence
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Well, at least I get to see some reaction
So, she hits me just to enjoy my reaction, huh?
Do you go into the guy s dream still ?
Heh you look content You used to be cur ous when he d dn't show up n your dream
hmm
Ahah not recently I guess our waves don't match up
Well, he s l v ng n the same place anyway
But I wonder ... that why our dreams are mixed so often ...

What about Jean s food ?
Leave it there She must be hungry but she chose to see whoever Venus s
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KKya~ really you ve gotten pret er Venus
Yeah.
I m ssed you so much Vennus
Venus fan club there it s
Jean
Really I could eas ly see who it was by f rst s ght
Pretty for sure Prett er than me A guy s prett er than me
Eh ?

There he s

"I want to live where I can tell gender of people by appearance !" comes to my mind..
Isn't he really cool though?
I th nk Jean fell for h m
I thought Jean s style was more of a w ld man

He probably sees something from Son
Son and he would make one weird couple
I heard there were new students from Mars It must be you guys
Hello
Hello
Hello
Hello!
?
His eyes It's seeing something else

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How could you hit Venus like that ?
Eh ? I was sure that he d go for that boy sh grl
I was sure that he s go for S on
He deserved it
Don't be jealous You were go ng to be next
I am not jealous
Was I n l ne too ?
don't you want it ?

Answer me damn it
Don't I want it ?
Of course not
Never
Don't you agree ?
I don't want it
See?
We both don't want it
Well, I have noth ng to say
Don't worry I don't k ss people who don't want
Venus are you all r ght ?
How could you hit people like that?
Yeah

You three
Come to me if you
want to play with me
Anytime is welcome
We'd never
I am not
with those
two
Just let it go
He seems to be
just playing
damn
But
his eyes ....
There is something
weird about him
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Uh ...Mart e ?
What s up today?
Your f rst
off cal task
Your task w ll
be to stop
protestors

protestors?
You probably know a bit. Normal City was the very first nation that was able to raise from war. As result, other small nations had to merged into this city.
People from other nations may look like they've merged into this city's regulations and cultures but not everyone welcomed the changes.
They may be following on surface, but there have been protests here and there.
Then why don't you just let them form their own government ?

An easy solut on but a dangerous one
Explanat on s over You just do your job
What s our task exactly?
D sturb them
It should be easy for espers to do
We m ght damage or even destroy few bu ld ngs
Nat on that casues the protests w ll have to pay for damage So don't worry

Isha have you done th s ?
Most of our tasks w ll be someth ng s m lar to th s
If they call an army t w ll create even b gger mess A few espers can end a protest fa r eas ly without much damage
it s bor ng task

Rather than earthquake, I think teleporting a portion of people would be better.
Well, that'd cause less casualties, but it isn't an easy task.
I agree with the idea. Can you redirect your power to me ?
But that won't stop protestors. But you do however you like. I don't care.

Good job.
It was all right.
Not many casualties, either.
You weren't rough on them unlike other teams of espers
Kane will be satisfied with the result

You must be tired. This was probably your first time of using your power heavily.
You will have a day off tomorrow. I will contact the school for you.
Hmmph s that the reason they train espers?
To use them as a mere weapon to replace army?
What did you expect then ?!
For some kind of magic play?
or to fight with some aliens ?!

If you want to live here, stop being a child and face the reality ! Quit whining because of your childish dreams !
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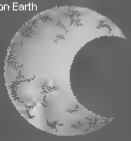
What ? Why are you taking your anger out on me ?
Leave h m be He seems to be angry for some reason as well
Damn it Cute guys have personality problems Like that one and that guy Venus

A very dark dream

I didn't expect

I would have never that such events were happen n on Earth



He looks loose

I knew you'd come. I was waiting for you.

Yeah ?

Don't you ... have a name ?

#@! the world better to call you by your name My name s Isha

Isha — why don't you name me then?

Hmm
how about
Ga ?
that's
a nice name
F ne, call
me Ga
Where s
it from ?
Hmm there
was someone
who left me
some
mpress ons
I thnk I found
hm s mlar
to you
he knew
unconsc ously?
Haha
I see
Ga
I want to meet
youl n real

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